

Remarks

The Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of Claim 11.

The Applicants acknowledge the objection to the Specification with respect to the description of Fig. 1. The description in the Specification with respect to Fig. 1 has now been amended in accordance with the Examiner's helpful suggestion. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

The Applicants acknowledge the objection to the lack of inclusion of a sequence identifier either in the drawings or in the Brief Description of the Drawings, in particular, with respect to Figs. 1B, 2A and 2B. The Brief Description of the Drawings has been amended with respect to Fig. 1B. Similarly, the Brief Description of the Drawings with respect to Fig. 2 has been amended, in particular, with respect to Figs. 2A and 2B. That description has also been amended to properly recite the multiple figures within Fig. 2. Entry into the Official File and consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Although not mentioned in the Official Action, the Applicants have further amended the Specification with respect to Figs. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 to refer to the multiple letter references within each of those figures. Again, entry into the Official File and consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Applicants have also cancelled Claim 28. This renders the 35 U.S.C. §112 rejection moot.

The Applicants note the reference to double-patenting rejections but, in view of their being held in abeyance, the Applicants do not believe that further treatment of that issue is necessary in response to this Official Action.

In light of the foregoing, the Applicants respectfully submit that the entire Application is now in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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